



*City Council
Staff Report*

Meeting Date: February 15, 2010

Agenda Item: New Official Zoning Map

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Staff Recommendation:

That the City Council adopts a New Official Zoning Map for the City of Ankeny, Iowa for purposes of clarity due to a number of boundary changes.

Discussion:

Ankeny Municipal Code 192.01.2 requires an official zoning map bearing the signature of the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk be kept on file in the City Clerk's office. To keep the map current, from time to time a new official zoning map may be adopted by the City for the purpose of including recent boundary changes and to accurately reflect current zoning districts throughout the community.

The most recent official zoning map was adopted by the City Council on January 5, 2009 and since that time 8 rezoning and 1 annexation, have been approved. The updated map reflects annexations that have been approved and recorded with Polk County along with zoning changes that have been approved by ordinance of the City Council. A change to the zoning ordinance has removed R-4, Planned Residential Development District, C-4, Shopping Center Commercial District, and C-5, Planned Office Park Commercial District zoning districts entirely because the classifications have not been used. The legend reflects the change by shifting the color scheme slightly.

Parks are also represented differently in this version. Previously parks have been represented by the color green covering the entire park area. This practice has not accurately represented the underlying zoning for these park areas. Alternatively, the updated map represents park land with a green border at the park property lines. This in turn allows for the underlying zoning of the park areas to show on the official zoning map adopted by the City.

The updated zoning map reflects a "codification" of the zoning ordinances and annexations and does not change the zoning of any property.

New zoning maps will be distributed to city staff and available to the general public both in paper copy and as a PDF on the Ankeny website.